

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-0503**

January 11, 2023

Governor Gavin Newsom  
1021 O Street, Suite 9000  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

Currently, California is experiencing major storms and flooding. While the recent Emergency Declaration has no doubt helped Californians, more must be done. The weather service is predicting more storms to come and additional funding will be needed for the hard-hit businesses and families in my district and across the state. Because of this, I am calling upon you to request a Major Disaster Declaration from President Biden.

These historic storms will continue to impact the state for some time, and the full extent of damage will not be known for days. However, a Major Disaster Declaration will allow Californians to be better prepared for the recovery phase. As such, I urge you to immediately request from President Biden a Major Disaster Declaration. This will allow Californians to access all three assistance programs, in particular the Individual and Household assistance program.

Californians are incredibly resilient, and with cooperation at all levels of government, we will rebuild stronger than ever. Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Kiley".

Kevin Kiley

Member of Congress